

METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR ON-LINE ORDERING

Abstract of the Disclosure

[0499] Systems and methods for ordering supplies  
5 from suppliers or for other e-commerce activities are  
described. Standards for placing orders and  
registering catalog information in a database are  
described. Systems and methods for placing orders,  
preprocessing supplier information using geographic  
10 information, conducting data searches and analyses  
locally on user access devices, continuously updating  
displays of browser frames, tracking orders using  
accounting codes, placing graphical custom orders,  
submitting graphical orders to suppliers, placing group  
15 orders, reducing risks associated with delinquent  
accounts receivable, and combinations thereof are  
described.